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STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants respectfully request consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

(Select A, B or C below)

A.	[X]	This	Information Disclosure Statement has been filed:
		(chec	k 1, 2 and/or 3 below)
	1.	[]	within three months of the filing date of the above identified U.S. Patent
			application;
	2.	[]	within three months of the filing date of the entry of the National Stage, as
			set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491, in an International application; and/or
	3.	[X]	before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits in the

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above-identified application.

B.	[]	This	Informa	ation Disclosure Statement has been filed more than three months					
		after	after the filing date of the present application and after the mailing date of this						
		first	first Office Action, but before the mailing date of either a final action under 37						
		C.F.I	C.F.R. §1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311.						
		(chec	(check 1 or 2 below)						
	1.	[] The fee of \$180 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed; or							
	2.	[]	Appl	Applicants hereby certify, as specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), that					
		(check a or b below)							
		a.	[]	each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure					
				Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent					
				Office in a counterpart for this application not more than three					
				months prior to the filing of this Statement; or					
		b.	[]	no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure					
				Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent					
				Office in a counterpart for this application or, to the knowledge of					
				the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, was known to					
				any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than three					
				months prior to the filing of this Statement.					
		c.	[]	items indicated by an asterisk were identified in a recent review of					
				related files.					
C.	[]	This	Informa	ation Disclosure Statement has been filed after the mailing date of					
		eithe	r a Fina	l action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37					
		C.F.I	R. §1.311 and before payment of an Issue Fee.						
		(chec	(check 1, 2, and 3 below)						
	1.	[.]	[] The Applicant hereby certifies, as specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), that						
			(chec	ck a or b below)					
		a.	[]	each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure					
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				months prior to the filing of this Statement.				
		b.	[]	no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure				
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				the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, was known to				
				any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than three				
				months prior to the filing of this Statement.				
	2.	[]	A Petition requesting consideration of the Information Disclosure					
			Statement is attached.					
	3.	[]	The Pe	tition Fee of \$130 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1) is enclosed.				
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		formation Cited						
A.	[X]	The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the						
			()	sted on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of				
		presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the						
		ımport	ance of	the references.				
B.	[]	The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the						
		above-	identific	ed application:				
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			llowing	is a consider explanation of the relevance of each non-English				
Α.	[]	The following is a concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified):						
		langua	ge reier	ence fisted on the attached form F1O-1449 (modified).				
B.	[]	The following are remarks concerning the other information cited:						
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PART IV: Remarks

- A. [X] Copies of references (check 1 or 2 below)
 - 1. [X] A copy of each of the references cited on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified) is enclosed;
 - 2. [] Copies of certain of the references cited on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified) are not enclosed because each of these references (indicated by asterisk) was previously cited by or submitted to the Office in a prior application, which prior application is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- B. [X] It is respectfully requested that: (check 1, 2, and 3 below)
 - 1. [X] The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
 - 2. [X] The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited patent(s) and publication(s) has (have) been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
 - 3. [X] The citations for the patent(s) and publication(s) be printed on any patent which issues from this application.
- C. [X] By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants make no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more material information may not exist.

- D. [X] By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants make no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).
- E. [X] By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants make no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.
- F. [X] Notwithstanding any statements by Applicants, the Examiner is urged to form his or her own conclusions regarding the relevance of the cited reference(s).

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

Respectfully submitted,

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